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To the Secretary:

I am writing to express my strong support for petition RM-8653, the so called Apple NII Public Band Petition. I believe that we, as individual Americans, deserve to use this band without having to pay a commercial company for the privilege. It is my understanding that the telecommunications industry has filed a competing petition to grab the band for themselves. I further believe that free public use of the band is crucial to preserving true free enterprise in the telecommunications industry. Public use of the band will provide needed competition for and an alternative to the telephone companies. No wonder the phone companies want the band; they don't want us to be able to use it.

The telecommunications industry has proven time and again that they do not have the best interests of the consumer at heart. The most recent example, of course, is the last minute defeat of a similar petition four years ago by the phone companies, who wanted that band for cordless PBX's. They did get it, and the opportunity for individuals to use it was lost.

I know that the FCC was in support of the last petition, and I hope that it is in support of this one. I reiterate that I am voicing my strong support of petition RM-8653. It is my sincere hope that we will finally get a slice of the bandwidth that the phone companies don't want us to have, since they will charge us for it if they get it for themselves.

Thank you for your consideration,

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I am writing to encourage the FCC to consider petition RM-8653 opening a segment of the radio frequency spectrum to unregulated public use. We must allow free public communications as a supplement to the federally licensed monopolies, encouraging innovation and to induce telecomm corporations to continue to add value to their services. These companies will continue to make billions by providing needed services. If they fail to do so, they should go the way of the semaphore and the telegraph. Open and free communications adds strength and resiliency to our republic, and is a key to keeping licensed telecom operators working toward the best interests of the general public.

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Dear Secretary,

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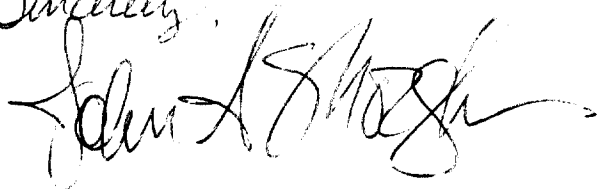
This is a letter to urge you to expedite any considerations or decisions regarding RM-8653 and the creation of a N.I.I. Band

As an educator in our great country, I fully believe that this great step forward in communication would greatly benefit the many underfunded and underprivileged school children and teachers in our country. These great young minds would be able to access information that may otherwise be unavailable to them. This would particularly benefit those of us who teach in rural areas outside major metropolitan cities.

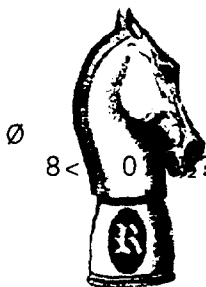
Thank you for your time and consideration of yet another pioneering step for our country. The time is upon us - seize the moment!

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Sincerely,



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Secretary
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Gentlemen:

Regarding Apple Computer's Petition for Rulemaking FCC RM # 8653, I would like to support this rulemaking procedure. I think there is a need for some "free public access bandwidth" on the "information superhighway." There is precious little in the new communications act for the public. This is a shame because the spectrum is a public owned resource, like the air and the oceans. It should be used for the benefit of the public. I think you should set aside enough bandwidth for a kind of "CBRadio" area on the spectrum where anybody can transmit anything, radio, TV, computer signals or whatever. This would be a great benefit to people who would otherwise be disenfranchised from full access to the information on the "superhighway" because they cannot pay the soaring high cable TV rates or afford the satellite dish technology. Information could be made available to them at low cost through libraries and community access facilities like computer freenets.

I would also like to have the possibility for anyone to set up a transmitter and broadcast local news and information on a low power basis to the local community without having to go through the complex, costly and time consuming formal licensing procedure. Just a frequency check and they could start broadcasting. This would be a great benefit to poor and rural communities who may never get cable.

In any case, please set aside a healthy chunk of spectrum for free, unregulated use by the public, like the federal lands in the West.. Future generations will thank you for it.

Sincerely,

Robert McConnell, Ph.D.

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